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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: SCUL, CG

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO MOBUTU

REF: KINSHASA 9076

PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT MOBUTU: QTE  
I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION FOR THE WARM  
HOSPITALITY EXTENDED BY YOUR GREAT COUNTRY TO TWO  
OUTSTANDING AMERICAN FIGHTERS AND TO THE MANY OTHER  
AMERICANS WHO WENT TO ZAIRE FOR THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION-  
SHIP FIGHT. THROUGH ZAIRE'S SUPPORT OF THIS MAJOR SPORTING  
EVENT, OUR TWO PEOPLES HAVE LEARNED MORE ABOUT EACH OTHER  
AND THE BASIS OF OUR FRIENDSHIP HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED.  
WARMEST PERSONAL WISHES. GERALD R. FORD. UNQTE. INGERSOLL

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